

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chairwoman  
Subcommittee on Labor, Health,  
and Human Services  
House Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Labor, Health  
and Human Services  
House Committee on Appropriations  
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Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Cole,

As you consider the Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22) Labor, Health, Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, we urge you to fund the Firefighter Cancer Registry to the authorized level of \$2.5 million.

The firefighter cancer registry is an important resource in understanding and preventing the growing occurrence of cancer among our nation's firefighters. Research has shown that there are significant increases in the risks of developing cancer for firefighters and, for some types of cancer, the risk relative to the general population can be as much as 229 percent higher.

Since the passage of the Firefighter Cancer Registry Act (Public Law No. 115-194), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has laid the groundwork to establish a database of cancer incidence among firefighters to assist in developing new protocols and equipment designed to safeguard these brave men and women. Starting this year, the CDC will recruit and enroll firefighters into the program so that data collection for this critical project can begin.

We urge you to consider the safety of our brave firefighters across the nation as you formulate the FY22 Labor, Health, Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill by including full funding for the Firefighter Cancer Registry.

Thank you for your attention to and consideration of this request.

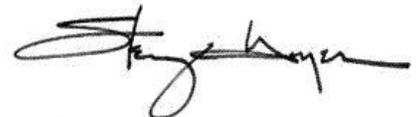
Sincerely,



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